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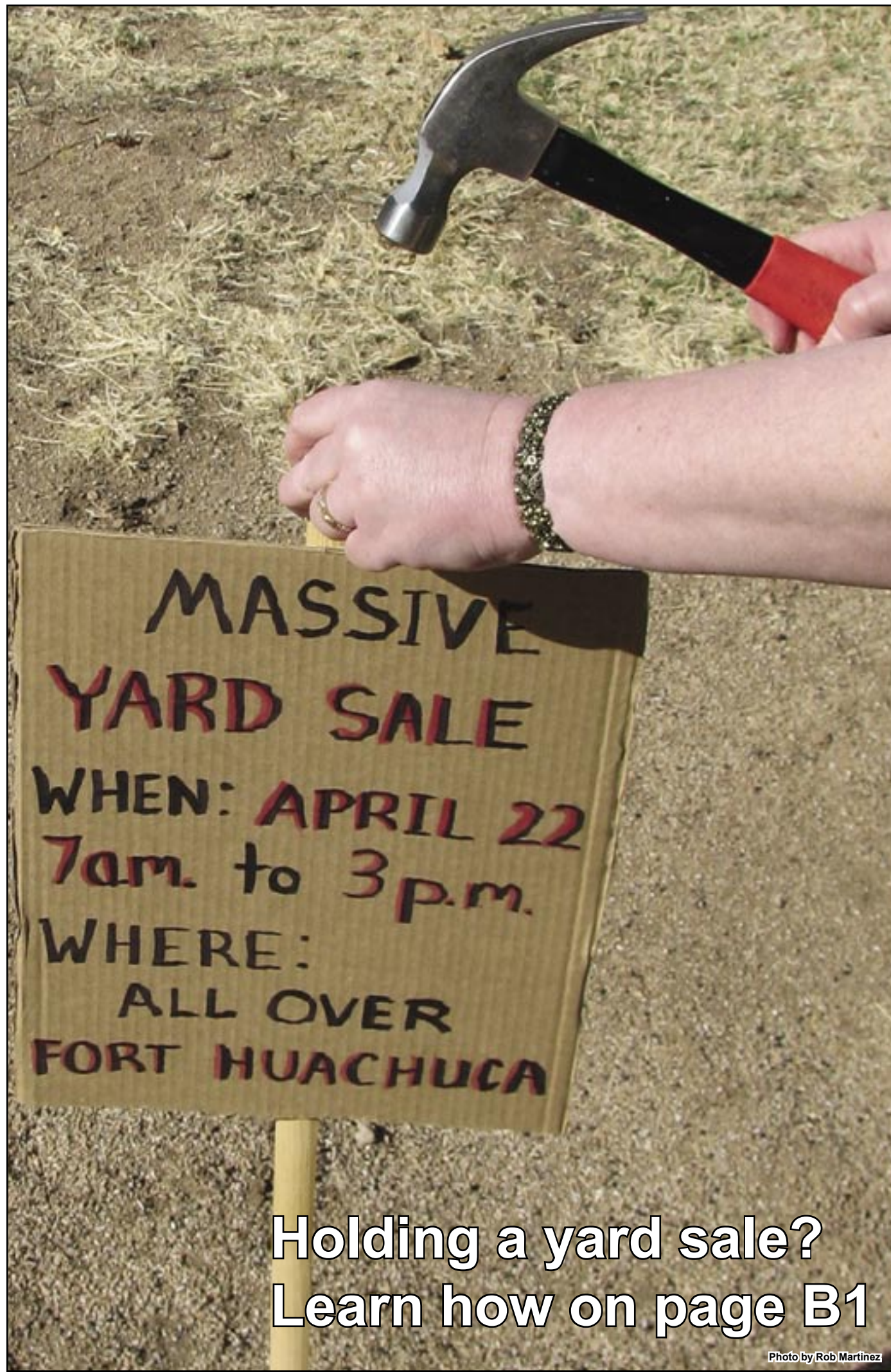


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Garrison Commander on Water

Water Conservation and awareness is not optional, but a mission essential task for everyone who works or lives on Fort Huachuca. Regional groundwater is a mission-critical resource. We can and must collectively manage it - every day. Failure to reduce pumping now and in the near future is the greatest threat to Fort Huachuca staying a vibrant and viable installation. April, and every month at Fort Huachuca, must be water awareness month

I charge all employees at the Fort, and all members of Team Huachuca who depend on the fort for employment or services, to make this April the first of 12 WATER ACTION MONTHS at Fort Huachuca and in our community. All of us who live, work, or depend on Fort Huachuca for services must move from awareness to action. We must reduce the amount of water each of us uses. Ques-

tion every water use at work and at home. If you wash your government vehicle weekly - Stop it. Make it once a month, or only when it's visibly dirty. Do the same with your personal vehicle and your other water uses at home. If there's a reasonable way to change an existing process and do it without using water, make the change!

Do not commit or tolerate water waste. Follow irrigation rules and accept that brown is a natural desert color and your yard doesn't have to be green. If you see water waste on-post, call it into 533-3151. Even leaky faucets should be reported when noticed because if you don't call it in, who will? You must model water saving behavior to your family, coworkers and your employees every day. I know convincing our teenage daughters that a cutting shower time can be a daunting task, but it can be done. If you see

water waste off-post, get involved in community efforts to decrease ground water pumping.

The conservation clock is ticking and we need to stabilize the water level in the regional aquifer. Failure to do so could result in limitations or restrictions on missions at Fort Huachuca. We must retain the capability to conduct our missions and not be limited because of water management issues. Fort Huachuca plays a critical role in America's security. Managing water is an essential mission enabler and a task where each of us has an individual as well as collective effort to accomplish.

Thanks for your cooperation in this critical effort.

Col. Jonathan B. Hunter
Garrison Commander
Fort Huachuca, AZ

Recycling on post makes good sense

By Joan Vasey
Scout Staff

Fort Huachuca residents have an ideal opportunity to recycle unwanted goods on Earth Day, April 22. From 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. that day, Fort Huachuca will hold its annual, post-wide yard sale. Everyone benefits. Fort residents can make money

while ridding themselves of unwanted items, and purchasers can find bargains. The landfill will benefit from deposit of fewer items, and Fort Huachuca trash pickup costs may be reduced.

Recycling is wonderful, because everyone, including planet Earth, wins. Recycling saves

money. Less waste goes into the landfill.

Those who find themselves with leftover items once the Post yard sale ends should not despair. The Fort Huachuca Thrift Shop accepts items on consignment from authorized users for up to 60 days. The shop is operated by the Fort Huachuca

Spouses Club, which returns funds raised through thrift shop sales to the Fort Huachuca community in the form of scholarships and other beneficial programs

The Turnaround Point is another on-post location where people can drop off unwanted goods. It's located in the same

building as the post Laundromat across from the Armed Forces Bank. Operated by the post chapel and staffed by volunteers, the TurnAround Point program is for military ID card holders and their immediate family regardless of rank or income. All items in the store are available for free. Those who meet new arrivals to Fort Huachuca are encouraged

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Scout On The Street — How do you get rid of unwanted items?



Maj. David Eaves
Headquarter and Headquarters Company,
NETCOM

"Normally I'll donate it to the Salvation Army or Thrift Shops."



Beverly Everett
Civil Servant

"I give mine to either Forgach House or Saint Vincent De Paul."



Yvette Hulgrut
Family member

"Hurricane Katrina took care of my old stuff. We lost our house in Mississippi."



Spec. Brandie Thieda 269th Signal Company,
504th Signal Battalion

"I would just put them in the dumpster."

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to tell them about the program, as newcomers frequently need items right away and can save themselves money through participation in this free program.

The Main Post Library and Military Intelligence Library accept books, and many are sent to deployed Soldiers. Call for particulars.

Recently, several military families had the misfortune to lose homes and personal property due to structural fires. Donating surplus items to those in need is another effective way

to recycle extra items. It also benefits those with an immediate need.

Bartering is another way people recycle. This involves trading items for other items. One person recently traded a pair of purebred puppies for a lawn tractor. Another traded a freezer for a clothes dryer.

As part of the vision to execute our mission effectively and efficiently and to be good stewards, Fort Huachuca recycles materials every day on this installation, and dedicates facilities and employees to accom-

plish that mission. Personnel at the Hazardous Waste Turn-in Center, Building 90404, accept and recycle military units' used oil, antifreeze, and lead acid and other batteries, keeping these materials out of the landfill.

New arrivals or those departing from Fort Huachuca can save money or help others by visiting the Hazardous Material Control Center, Building 90417. Departing personnel can turn in paint, household cleaning products, soap, bleach, and other products considered hazardous. These products will also be

issued to departing or arriving Soldiers or spouses for use when clearing quarters or prior to moving in. This saves money. Users will not have to purchase these items out-of-pocket. Just select the needed items, and sign for them.

The Environmental and Natural Resources Division collects and recycles used wood and pallets, and makes them available for free. Woodworkers have transformed used material into beautiful and serviceable furniture for a fraction of the cost of new.

Fort Huachuca's environmental stewardship extends to conversion of yard wastes into mulch which benefits those who want to reduce water use in their yards. The mulch is available for a small fee. For information about obtaining mulch or scrap wood, call the Environmental and Natural Resources Division at 533-3120.

Recycling unwanted items makes good sense, not just around Earth Day, but every day. By doing so, people save money, landfill space, and tipping fees. Everybody wins.

Kudos Corner



Photo courtesy of 11th Signal Brigade

Love was in the air in Iraq on April 2 when 1st Lt. Michael Donegan, 69th Signal Company, 504th Signal Battalion and Capt. Indira Donegan, commander, Company D, 40th Signal Battalion renewed wedding vows in celebration of their seventh year of marriage. The celebration took place at Al Faw Palace, Camp Victory, Iraq.



Photo by Eric Hortin, NETCOM Public Affairs Office

Brig. Gen. Carroll Pollett, U.S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command/9th Army Signal Command commanding general, speaks to the graduating officers and civilians of Military Intelligence Officer Basic Course 06-003, March 31, at Fitch Auditorium in Alvarado Hall. Pollett was the guest speaker at the graduation ceremony, invited by the graduating class which included the general's son, Derrick.

Air Force NCO of the Quarter

Col. Susan Annicelli, commander, Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center, hands Staff Sgt. Melonie Benavides, 314 Training Squadron, a trophy to recognize her selection as Air Force Noncommissioned Officer of the Quarter.

Photo by Maj. Matthew Garner



Marine of the Quarter

Col. Susan Annicelli, commander, Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center, hands Lance Cpl. Neal D. McGaughey, Marine Detachment, a trophy for being selected Marine of the Quarter.

Photo by Maj. Matthew Garner



MI Library *An educational and entertaining hangout*

Story and photos by
Michael Collins
Scout Staff

Most students don't expect to see a popcorn machine when they come through the doors of a library. Yet, that is exactly what they will find when paying a visit to the Military Intelligence Library at Sissler Hall on post. Visitors will also find a the-

relax as well as come to study." The response of military students and patrons was overwhelmingly positive to the different learning climate that Herrington and her staff fostered. "I like coming here," said Pfc. David Hill of Company E, 305th MI Battalion. "The MI library is a good place to do both research and get away for a break when I need it."

Aside from the free popcorn that awaits patrons, the library also has a large collection of movies that may be viewed in the screening room. Many latest releases and classic combat films such as 'Saving Private Ryan' are available to view on the 42-inch screen

Military Intelligence librarians also created

language courses are available on line at the MI library. From the library site, a MI professional can access self-paced and reach back training, the Cultural Foreign Language Integration Center, MI Training Resources and the New Systems Training and Integration Office. Even non-MI professionals can sharpen their language skills through a cooperative agreement with Rosetta Stone, considered a leader in foreign language acquisition training. This arrangement allows patrons to polish existing skills or learn a new language that will make them more effective Soldiers.

The MI Library efforts at meeting student needs and fulfilling their assigned mission has not gone unrecognized. Herrington and her staff were



Pfc. Frank Jentink, Company E, 305th Military Intelligence Battalion, takes a popcorn break while studying at the Fort Huachuca Military Intelligence Library.

awarded the top honor for being the nation's best federally affiliated library. The Military Intelligence Library received

this recognition from the Library of Congress, citing 'innovative services and superior customer services offered in 2005'.



1st Lt. Allie Weiskopf (front) and Capt. Kristen Shifrin (back), both of the 16th Military Police Brigade, Airborne, Fort Bragg, N.C., check their e-mail in the Military Intelligence Library.

ater quality screening area and a cadre of friendly, helpful staff who don't impulsively 'shush' patrons when they get too loud.

Dr. Vee Herrington and the staff of the MI library re-examined the concept of the traditional library and decided to turn conventional thinking on its head. After detailed planning sessions, they adopted a strategy emphasizing creativity and innovation with the targeted aim of exceeding the educational needs of its military and civilian customers.

"We tried to look at what our customers were like," said Herrington, director of the MI library. "Our patrons are young, they like action and color. If we could get them into the library, they would come back if they could see it was a good place to

an Open Source lab and media Instruction System that is used by more than 8,000 patrons. OSIS is a private Internet connecting various networks for the exchange of unclassified U.S. government and other open source information among intelligence community agencies, military commands and certain other organizations.

The goal was to meet and exceed Army's doctrinal requirements that necessitate 'open source intelligence to be integrated into all disciplines and functions, by exploiting the information age and by making this information a vital intelligence resource.'

One-on-one training to access data sources, distance-learning through the University of Military Intelligence and

2006 AER Campaign Statistics

Unit	No. people assigned	No. people contacted	percentage	Total \$
111TH MI	8575	5596	65%	\$8,992.00
11TH SIG	1429	428	30%	\$13,952.00
NETCOM	130	30	100%	\$3,305.00
ISEC				\$828.00
MEDDAC				\$572.00
USAIC	18	117	99%	\$659.00
GARRISON				\$669.00
JITC	15	14	99%	\$320.00
DES				\$114.00
RETIREEES				\$145.00
CSLA				\$252.00
DPW				\$0
18TH MP'S				\$0
EPG				\$0
IEWTD				\$0
DPTMS		6		\$0
DENTAC				\$0
TOTAL:				\$37,810.00

The Army conducts the Army Emergency Relief Fund Raising Campaign annually during the period of March 1 through May 15.

According to AER, their main purpose is to "help the Army take care of its own."

The charity helps the Army family by providing emergency financial assistance to Soldiers — active and retired, and their dependants — during verifiable unforeseen and urgent matters such as the death of a family member, the need for food rent or utilities, national disaster, an illness, personal needs when pay is delayed or stolen, and emergency repairs for privately owned vehicles.

AER also awards grants to widows and orphans. They offer a scholarship program for eligible dependents, and interest free loans.

For more information, call Sgt. 1st. Class Jason Sepulveda at 538-7625 or visit the AER web site, <http://www.aerhq.org/>.

The IRS examination process

By Internal Revenue Service
Public Affairs

The Internal Revenue Service examines or audits tax returns to verify that the tax reported is correct.

Selecting a return for examination does not always suggest that the taxpayer has either made an error or been dishonest. In fact, some examinations result in a refund to the taxpayer or acceptance of the return without change.

The overwhelming majority of taxpayers files returns and make payments timely and accurately. Taxpayers have a right to expect fair and efficient tax administration from the IRS, including verification that taxes are correctly reported and paid with

enforcement actions against those who fail to comply voluntarily.

Taxpayer Rights

The IRS trains its employees to explain and protect taxpayers' rights throughout their contacts with taxpayers. Taxpayers are entitled to the following rights:

- A right to professional and courteous treatment by IRS employees.
- A right to privacy and confidentiality .
- A right to know why the IRS is asking for information, how the IRS will use it and what will happen if the requested information is not provided.
- A right to representation, by oneself or an authorized representative.
- A right to appeal disagreements, both

within the IRS and before the courts.

The audit

An examination may be conducted by mail or through an in-person interview and review of the taxpayer's records. The interview may be at an IRS office or at the taxpayer's home, place of business, or accountant's office. Taxpayers may make audio recordings of interviews, provided they give the IRS advance notice. If the time, place, or method that the IRS schedules is not convenient, the taxpayer may request a change, including a change to another IRS office if the taxpayer has moved or business records are there.

The audit notification letter tells which records will be needed. Taxpayers may act on their own behalf or have someone represent or accompany them. If the taxpayer is not present, the representative must have

proper written authorization.

The auditor will explain the reason for any proposed changes. Appeal rights are explained by the examiner at the beginning of each audit. Taxpayers who do not agree with the proposed changes may appeal by having a supervisory conference with the examiner's manager or appeal their case administratively within the IRS, to the U.S. Tax Court, U.S. Claims Court or the local U.S. District Court. If there is no agreement at the closing conference with the examiner or the examiner's manager, the taxpayer has 30 days to consider the proposed adjustments and their next course of action.

A case may be further appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals or to the Supreme Court, if those courts accept the case.

For more information, visit the IRS website at <http://www.irs.gov/>.

Fort's March water use lowest in 24-year period

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The water pumpage for March is 29,660,000 gallons or 91 acre-feet and is equivalent to 0.96 million gallons per day.

The March pumpage is 15 percent less than that pumped in March 2005 (107 acre-feet) and is 52.1 percent less than the 24-year (1982-2005) March average (190 acre-feet). The March pumpage is also the lowest

figure recorded for that month during the 24-year period.

Total water pumped year-to-date (273 acre-feet) is 13.1 percent less than that pumped year-to-date in 2005 (314 acre-feet).

March water use at the U.S. Forest Service Air Tanker Station on Libby Army Airfield is 25,780 gallons. Year-to-date water pumped is 42,301 gallons, or 0.13 acre-feet. March water use is attributable to fighting the BurroFire.

Treated effluent reuse for March was 11.1 acre-feet. Year-to-date water use is 29.3 acre-feet. The 2006 year-to-date reuse, 29.3 acre-feet, is 6.2 percent more than the amount reused for the same period in 2005 (27.6 acre-feet). This is water that did not have to be pumped from the groundwater aquifer (a water and energy savings) to irrigate the Mountain View Golf Course and Chaffee Parade Field /Prosser Village.

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D/40th Desert Thunder's Spotlight on the Soldier

Story and photos by
Capt. Indira Donegan

On Oct. 2, 2005, Company D, 40th Signal Battalion, 11th Signal Brigade deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom 05-07. The unit was streamlined into a long-range extension company in order to provide tactical satellite capabilities to Task Force Runner. The Soldiers are halfway through the deployment and so far, have met nothing but success along



the way according to Delta Company Commander Capt. Indira Donegan. "We simply have the best Signal Soldiers around in this unit, and they deserve all the credit," she said.

"Our Soldiers go above and beyond the basic requirements of the mission, and really push themselves to develop their technical skills as well as pursuing their education while we are deployed," Donegan said. Since October, Company D Soldiers have collectively completed more than 6,000 hours of correspondence courses. One such Soldier who "... has set the standard and continues to break barriers is Pfc. Matthew Fullen," according to Donegan.

Fullen, originally from Memphis, Tenn., was sent to Fort Huachuca and assigned as a tactical satellite operator in July, 2005. Once on the ground

in Iraq, he was assigned to work in the company's operation cell where he worked on daily reports for higher headquarters, pulled security detail, served as travel escort, and was a mail clerk. Fullen was one of the first in the company to complete the maximum number of correspondence courses, completing 1000 hours in record time, Donegan said. He competed against 10 competitors from seven other companies in the Task Force Runner Soldier of the Quarter competition, won the board and represented the task force at the 22nd Signal Brigade Soldier of the Quarter competition.

Shortly after winning the battalion SOQ board, Fullen was moved to a team of Soldiers in one of the most austere environments in Iraq where he helped support an Iraqi training camp and a U.S. Army medical team.

"Pfc. Fullen is one of those young Soldiers who refuses to settle for anything but



the best. He can be pretty hard on himself, but I think it is because he expects a lot from himself. I am very proud of him as his commander. He is an awesome Soldier and a solid human being who really cares about his team mates," Donegan said.

When asked what he looks forward to most in his future, he responded, "Getting promoted to Sergeant and possibly being an officer one day. I am really looking forward to going home because we are expecting our first child. I love being a Soldier, but I think I am going to love being a dad even more."

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Photo by Pfc. Charlotte Black

Post clean-up

Declared a success

In spite of the full slate of activities that happened last week, post cleanup was still a success, according to Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Doug Sandstrom.

“The clean-up went well. No one was hurt. That’s always a big concern when you have a lot of Soldiers working by roads,” he said.

“It was remarkable that the clean-up was accomplished when there was so much going on. Eleventh Signal Soldiers were coming in from the field then getting ready to turn around and deploy,” he said. “Soldiers were tasked to prepare for the concert Friday night. Others were involved with the Festival of the Southwest last weekend. It was a big week. Yet, I saw lots of Soldiers cleaning up all over post,” he added.

“We appreciate everyone’s hard work, especially with so much else going on.”

Pfc. Miguel Martinez, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 40th Signal Battalion, sweeps around his company area.

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Rising stars rock Barnes Field House



Story and photos by Staff Sgt. Jeff Troth
NETCOM/9th ASC PAO

Cowboy hats and cowboy boots were side-by-side with baseball caps and tennis shoes as more than 1,200 people packed into Barnes Field House to listen to three of country music's newest stars.

Jamey Johnson, a former Marine, opened the concert with "Keeping up with the Joneses," a song he sings on his debut album with George Jones. During his set Johnson thanked the audience for what they did for their country. He also sang his hit song "The Dollar," about a boy who scrapes together his pennies to buy time with his dad, and the song he co-wrote, and Trace Adkins took to number 1 – "Honky Tonk Badonkadonk."

Jason Aldean entertained the crowd with his hit "Hicktown," which talks about 4x4ing, mudding and playing bingo. Besides singing other songs off his self titled debut album, he also sang some classic

rock with John Cougar Mellencamp's "Little Pink Houses."

The headliner for the show, Miranda Lambert, began her set with "What about Georgia," asking the audience "did you find all you thought you'd find out in the wild, wild west." Besides singing other songs off her debut album, she also belted out old country and rock favorites. Twenty-two year old Lambert sang about turning "21 in prison doing life without parole," with Merle Haggard's "Mama Tried." She also sung Led Zeppelin's "Rock and Roll." She ended the concert with her hit "Kerosene" that was nominated for both Female Video of the Year and Breakthrough Video of the Year for the 2006 CMT Music Awards.

Last year Lambert was nominated for the Country Music Association's Horizon Award for creative growth and development in overall chart and sales activity, live performance professionalism and critical media recognition.

A night of music at Barnes Field House, Friday, featured artists Miranda Lambert (left), Jason Aldean (center), and Jamey Johnson (below).

Photo illustration by Rob Martinez



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Treated effluent for March delivered to the East Range Recharge Facility was 43.5 acre-feet. Year-to-date water delivered is 125.2 acre-feet. The year-to-date delivery is 14.8 percent less than that delivered for the same period in 2005 (147 acre-feet).

The lower water use in

March is attributed to the continued effects of the Water Wise and aggressive water leak detection programs. On-going construction projects such as family housing demolition and construction and the construction of the new elementary school had little water use associated with their activities.

Fort Huachuca has been a steward of natural resources since 1877. The future of the fort is linked with the future of the San Pedro River. Fort Huachuca will continue to seek out creative and innovative ways to conserve water on the installation and outside the gates with partners in the Sierra Vista subwatershed.

The Fort Huachuca Tax Center is open

From now until Saturday, all servicemembers, dependents, retirees and eligible Army Reservists or National Guardsmen are eligible to come into the center and file their returns.

Most preparations are on an appointment basis. Walk-ins are welcome on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but appointments are recommended.

For information, or to make an appointment, please contact the Tax Center at 533-1040.

Kiwanians, Signal Soldiers add educational element to local school playground

Story and photos by 1st Lt. Andrea Pratt

11th Signal Brigade PAO

Last October, Soldiers from the 11th Signal Brigade volunteered “family time” to help San Pedro Kiwanis Club and Key Club members brighten up playground equipment at Carmichael Elementary School, Sierra Vista.

On April 1, the same group of volunteers expanded the playground

in a magazine,” said Suzanne DeRosier, Carmichael School Key Club advisor, “She’d been holding on to this magazine for a while and just decided to have us make a similar display here.”

The map of the United States was framed on both sides by new hopscotch lanes and four-square play areas.

“I think this is going to be cool,” said 6-year-old Brjan Rose, “I’ve never seen a map this big...I think it will help me learn where the states are.” While Brjan Rose was being interviewed, Kalliah Puro, 7 and Alex Garcia, 8 could be heard in the background playing on the map before it was completely painted, “Now I’m in Washington, come over and get me! Now

“Everyone went home tired, but we got a lot done,” he said. “I’d like to thank Lt. Col. Bill English and members of the 504th Signal Battalion and everyone who turned out. The Soldier who worked on the map was a graphics designer and planned out the map so none of the five colors touched.

Not only will the new playground map serve as a decorative play area – but it will also serve as an opportunity learning area.

“The kids absolutely love the map. They like finding states where they’re from and sitting on them. The kids are definitely using it. It’s educational, and that’s a plus,” Kurtz said.



equipment “touch up” project into an artistic endeavor by creating a 35 by 37-foot mural of the United States on the playground asphalt behind the school building. “The principal, Marge Carrithers, saw a similar mural

we’re in....where are we? Now I’m in Montana!”

Stephen Kurtz, San Pedro Kiwanis advisor to the Carmichael K-Kids Club and clean-up advisor, was happy with what the group accomplished.

Editor’s note: April is the “Month of the Military Child.” The “Scout” will feature youth-related articles all month.

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National Security Personnel System

In early 2006, The Department of Defense plans to phase-in the National Security Personnel System which includes classification, pay administration, performance management, staffing, workforce shaping, adverse actions and appeals.

The vast majority of DoD civilian employees are eligible to be covered by most of the elements of NSPS. However, some employees in DoD will not be affected by these new regulations, or will only be covered by certain elements. Certain categories of employees are excluded, including intelligence personnel and employees in the Defense Laboratories listed in the NSPS law.

NSPS was implemented as a tool to better attract and retain good employees and to bring a human resources system that appropriately recognizes and rewards DoD employees' performance and the contributions they make to the Department of Defense mission.

For more information about NSPS, visit www.cpms.osd.mil/nsps on the Web.

Thunderbird Dining Facility closes temporarily

The Thunderbird Dining Facility will be closed until April 28, as the 11th Signal Brigade Soldiers will be involved in a field training exercise. Military personnel will need to eat at the Military Intelligence dining facilities during that time. Virginia Hall Dining Facility is open weekends.

Units, obtain hazardous materials at no charge

Save your organization money! The Hazardous Material Control Center, Directorate of Logistics, has an inventory of hazardous materials available for issue at "No Charge." Organizations having valid requirements for hazardous materials may contact the HMCC to coordinate issue. Point of Contact for this action is Frank Moreno, 533-1263.

DPW plans switch from heating to cooling equipment

The Directorate of Public Works will begin the changeover to cooling equipment on Monday. Projected completion for both post facilities and family housing units is May 12. Those whose facility has not been completed by then should call the operations and maintenance contract work control section at 533-5457 or 533-5459 for assistance. Additionally, problems with coolers that have been turned on should be referred to work control until May 26. After that, problems should be reported to the DPW Service Order Desk at 533-3151 or 533-2003.

In most facilities, this changeover requires discontinued heater use before the cooling unit can be activated. To assure a smooth and quick changeover, the O&M contractor has established a

schedule for family housing starting at Mott Circle housing area and finishing at Bonnie Blink. Occupants waiting to have their changeover performed are urged to open windows and doors on warm days.

The start and end dates are subject to change if there are significant weather

changes or problems with installation at the housing units. DPW officials assure that every effort will be made to provide the highest level of customer service with the least amount of inconvenience.

Fort Huachuca Lent/Holy Week Services 2006

For Information, call 533-4748

Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday, 6 a.m. Reservoir Hill (Large Parking Lot)

Services	Day	Time	Location
Lent			
Catholic Services			
Stations of the Cross	Fridays in Lent	5:30 p.m.	Main Post Chapel
"Poor Man's Meal"	Fridays in Lent	6 p.m.	MPC Activity Room
Holy Week			
Holy Thursday Mass	13-Apr	7 p.m.	Kino Chapel
Good Friday - Passion Service	14-Apr	5 p.m.	Main Post Chapel
Holy Saturday Mass (Easter Vigil)	15-Apr	7 p.m.	Main Post Chapel
Easter Sunday Mass	16-Apr	9:15 a.m.	Main Post Chapel
Easter Sunday Mass	16-Apr	11:30 a.m.	Kino Chapel
Protestant Services			
Living Last Supper	13-Apr	7 p.m.	Main Post Chapel
Maundy Thursday (Episcopal)	13-Apr	6 p.m.	Blessed Sacrament (MPC)
Good Friday	14-Apr	7p.m.	Prosser Village Chapel
Good Friday (Episcopal Liturgy)		6 p.m.	Main Post Chapel
Easter Service	16-Apr	Regular Services and Chapels	

Chaplain's Corner

Protestant Sunday Services			<u>Main Post Chapel</u>			Women's Choir 2nd Tuesday 7 p.m.			Youth Ministry 3rd Sunday		
8 a.m.	Episcopal	Main Post	CCD	Sunday	10:45 a.m.	Rehearsal			Meetings		
9:20 a.m.	Gospel	Kino Chapel	Apologetics			Adult Bible Study	Thursday	6 - 7 p.m.	Adult Usher	4th Sunday after service	
9:30 a.m.	Protestant	Prosser Village	Adoration of the	Friday	3 - 6 p.m.	Youth Bible Study	Thursday	6 - 7 p.m.	Meetings		
11 a.m.	Cross Roads	Eiffler Gym	Blessed Sacrament			Sanctuary Choir	Thursday	7 p.m.	Men's Ministry	Saturday	8 a.m.
11 a.m.	Collective	Main Post	Korean OCIA	Friday	7 p.m.	Rehearsal			Bible Study		
			MCCW	1st Friday	9 a.m.	Youth Ushers	Saturday	10 a.m.	Women's Choir	5th Saturday	11 a.m.
Roman Catholic Worship			Protestant			Youth Choir	3rd Saturday	10:30 a.m.	Rehearsal		
Mon.-Fri.	11:30 a.m.	Main Post	<u>Main Post Chapel</u>			Youth Emphasis	4th Saturday		Muslim Prayer		
Saturday	4 p.m.	Main Post	PWOC	Tuesday	9 a.m.	Saturdays			Friday	12:15 p.m.	Main Post
Confession						Drama Team	Saturday	8:30 a.m.			
Saturday	5 p.m.	Main Post				Youth Min. Staff	Saturday	10 a.m.	Buddhist Weekly Teaching		
Mass			<u>Kino Chapel</u>			& Parents Meeting			Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Prosser Village
Sunday	9:15 a.m.	Main Post	Women's Ministry	1st, 3rd Friday	6 p.m.	Youth Choir	Saturday	10:30 a.m.			
Mass			Bible Study Fellowship			Rehearsal			Orthodox Divine Liturgy		
Sunday	11:30 a.m.	Kino Chapel	Adult/Youth	Sunday	8 a.m.	<u>Murr Community Center</u>			Sunday	9:30 a.m,	Main Post
Mass			Sunday School			Teens and	Sunday	9:20 a.m.		vice 10:00	
			Youth Church	1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th Sunday	9 a.m.	Pre-teens Study			Latter Day Saints Service		
Jewish Worship						Parish Council	1st Sunday after service		Sunday	1 p.m.	Prosser Village
Friday	7 p.m.	Main Post	Men's Choir	Tuesday	7 p.m.	Meetings					
Catholic			Rehearsal			Women's Ministry	2nd Sunday				

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Local Soldiers, civilians compete in Arizona Ironman competition

Scout Reports

Six athletes from Fort Huachuca competed in the Arizona Ironman competition held in Tempe, Ariz., Saturday. Maj. Laura Knapp of the 309th Military Intelligence Battalion, Capt. Brian Hayes of Company C, 344th MI Battalion, Sgt. 1st Class Carlos Hernandez, 86th Signal Battalion, Michael Leonard, retired U.S. Army Warrent Officer and Les Woods, Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation sports director, all matched their athleticism, willpower and self-discipline against peer competitors who are some of the best athletes in the world.

More than 2000 athletes entered the competition. The best part of the event, however, was the crowds said the 45-year-old Leonard. "People were always giving us encouragement which was pretty good, especially during the low points of the race."

Ironman Triathlon is one of the most grueling events in the world of sports, and also one of the most inspiring. Ironman triathlon features a 2.4-mile swim, a 112-mile bike ride and a complete marathon (26.2 miles) all in succession. Athletes have

17 hours to complete the event (from the 7 a.m. start until midnight).

The Ironman triathlon had the humblest of beginnings, as a group of Navy Seals who were stationed in Hawaii, were dis-



Courtesy photo

cussing who were the fittest athletes in the world. Were swimmers, cyclists or runners the fittest? Navy Commander John Collins decided there was only one way to find out,

and that was to combine all three.

So on Feb. 18, 1978, 15 competitors decided to put themselves to the test by swimming 2.4 miles, biking 112 miles and running 26.2 miles. "Whoever finishes first will be call the Ironman," Collins said. And thus, Ironman Triathlon was born.

2003 marked the 25th anniversary of that first event and the growth of Ironman has been spectacular.

Since those humble beginnings, the sport of Ironman has developed into an international phenomenon. With 18 sanctioned Ironman distance event races worldwide, Ironman touches all corners of the globe and has races on all continents except Antarctica.

The Arizona competition is the newest North America Ironman event. Taking place in Tempe and the surrounding area, Ironman Arizona will be the first Ironman North America full-distance event each season.

The first leg of the race is the swim which contestants began with one counter-clockwise loop in Tempe Town Lake. The rectangular course eventually put the athletes on course to head straight back to

shore and transition at Tempe Beach Park for the next leg of the race, the bicycle course. This leg of the Ironman took athletes along the banks of the Salt River and through Salt River Indian Community. After a grueling 112 miles, contestants hopped off their bikes to start their run around Town Lake and through Papago Park.

"Everyone is out to do their personal best," said Leonard. "Fellow athletes were friendly and supportive of their peers throughout the course. I am getting too old to do another, so this is it for me."

The first-place contestant received \$12,000, second place \$8,000 and third place \$5,500. Eighty contestants from the Arizona Ironman will advance to the granddaddy event of them all, the 2006 Ironman competition on the Big Island of Hawaii.

Leonard summarized the experience of all the athletes in one brief sentence. "I survived it."

Fort Huachuca athletes' times:

10:51:11 Carlos Hernandez
12:21:43 Michael Leonard
12:29:30 Brian Hayes
12:53:32 Les Woods
14:29:57 Laura Knapp

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Range Closures

Thursday – AC, AD, AF, AH, AI, AK, AL, AN, AP, AR, AS, T1, T1A, T2

Friday – AC, AD, AF, AH, AI, AK, AL, AN, AR, AS

Saturday – AL, AR, T1, T1A, T2

Sunday – AL, AR, T1, T1A, T2

Monday – AA, AB, AC, AD, AF, AG, AH, AK, AL, AN, AP, AR, T1, T1A, T2

Tuesday – AA, AB, AC, AD, AF, AG, AL, AN, AP, AQ, AR, AU, AW

Wednesday – AA, AB, AC, AD, AF, AG, AL, AN, AP, AQ, AR, T3

Contact Range Control at 533-7095. Closures are subject to change.

Installation retirement ceremony

The next Quarterly Installation Retirement Ceremony will take place at 7 a.m. on April 28 on Chaffee Parade Field. The public is invited. A mandatory rehearsal for retirees is scheduled at 7

a.m. on April 27 at Chaffee Parade Field.

Fort Huachuca food inspectors to meet with commissary shoppers

Military food inspectors will talk to shoppers about food safety from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 25 at the Fort Huachuca Commissary.

The Fort Huachuca Branch Veterinary Services food inspectors will host a station in the commissary to distribute information on safe food handling, and on cooking procedures to reduce the risk of food-borne illness and other food related health concerns. For information, contact the Commissary Food Inspection Office at 533-5540.

Public invited to LEPC meeting

The Cochise County Local Emergency Planning Committee's regular monthly meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on April 21st, in the Science Building Room 200 at Cochise College, 901 Colombo Street, in Sierra Vista.

The county's new Mobile Communications Unit will be on display for the committee's and visitors' viewing. The LEPC Chairman will present goals and objectives for the LEPC.

The public is invited to attend. For additional information, call Reg Campbell at 378-2054.

Water Wise Water Expo

In celebration of Water Awareness Month, a Water Wise Water Expo will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday at the Ethel Berger Center, 2950 E Tacoma Street, Sierra Vista. Vendors and exhibitors will display water conserving products and services.

Master Gardener Spring xeriscape tour

The Arizona Cooperative Extension Service is sponsoring a xeriscape tour at homes throughout Sierra Vista, May 7 from 1 to 4 p.m. Successful models of low water, low maintenance plants will be on display. Obtain a map of the open homes by calling 458-8278 extension 2141.

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(Above) Five-year-old Vincent Rivers takes a long draw on his drink at the food and beverage tent with mother Tonya Rivers.

Grilled meats were just some of the tasty entrees available at the Festival of the Southwest, and the rows of candy apples barely had time to dry due to the demand of hungry customers.



Festival of the Southwest comes to town

**Story and Photos by
Michael Collins**

Scout Staff

The Festival of the Southwest returned to Sierra Vista Friday to celebrate the return of spring to Cochise County. For three days, the flashing lights of midway rides, the pounding reverberations of live music and the smells of sweet cotton candy, scorched popcorn and briny dill pickles on a stick delighted children of all ages.

The Fort Huachuca Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation sponsored the event with the collabora-

tion of many local businesses.

"The Festival of the Southwest was a great opportunity for us to join with our neighbors in the community to celebrate the wonderful place we live in," said Dennis Maruska, director of MWR. "Not only that, we get to have some great fun by throwing one of the best parties of the year."

A variety of entertaining events kept festival goers Friday through Sunday. Carnival rides included the Zipper, Starship, and the timeless Merry-Go-Round.

Not surprisingly children

enjoyed the festival most of all. With so many rides, color combinations to paint one's hair, and unusual treats to eat, there was something for even the most discriminating of young customers.

"The rides are fun and awesome," said Trey Johnson of Sierra Vista. My mom let me ride all the rides but she wouldn't go on the Starship because she was too scared."

"It's true, I was scared," admitted Julia Johnson, mother of Trey and Tasha Johnson. "But the whole family had a blast even if I didn't make the Starship."

Approximately 40 vendors placed their wares for sale at the festival including 16 food vendors. Some of the foods available included kettle corn, funnel cakes, barbecue ribs, corn-on-the-cob, bratwurst, hot dogs, ice cream, Ethnic delights included Indian fry bread, Korean, Mexican, and Thai cuisine.

The festival climaxed Sunday with a celebration of the Month of the Military Child with a theme of Family Day at the Festival. Numerous free activities for youth were available such as hair and visor painting that

brought a long string of children queuing up for a chance to dab artful designs on their young faces. Young warriors shouted over a spirited game of laser tag while animal lovers inspected the B Troop Cavalry Unit and K-9 Unit demonstrations from Fort Huachuca.

The Festival of the Southwest is an annual event sponsored by the MWR office of Fort Huachuca. The festival is traditionally held each April and this is the third year MWR has sponsored the event. For more information about upcoming MWR events, call 533-2404.

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Service News



Ultimate sacrifice in support of the Global War On Terrorism

Spc. James W. Gardner, 22, of Glasgow, Ky., died in Tal Afar, Iraq, on Monday, from a non-combat related cause. Gardner was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment, 101st Combat Aviation Brigade, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky.

Two soldiers died of injuries sustained in Ar Ramadi, Iraq, on Sunday, when an improvised explosive device detonated near their HMMWV during combat operations. The soldiers were assigned to the Army's 1st Battalion, 506th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky.

Killed were:

Sgt. 1st Class Randall L. Lambersen, 36, of Springfield, Mo., died in Balad, Iraq on April 10th.

Spc. David S. Collins, 24, of Jasper

Ga., died in Ar Ramadi, Iraq, on Sunday

Pfc. Joseph I. Love, 22, of North Pole, Alaska, died in Balad, Iraq, on April 9, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his HMMWV during convoy operations. Love was assigned to the 84th Engineer Combat Battalion (Heavy), 8th Sustainment Command (Theater), Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

Sgt. 1st Class Gregory S. Rogers, 42, of Cincinnati, Ohio, died in Ar Ramadi, Iraq on Sunday, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his HMMWV during convoy operations. Rogers was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 506th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky.

Pvt. Jody W. Missildine, 19, of Plant City, Fla., died in Tal Afar, Iraq, on Saturday, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his HMMWV during con-

voy operations. Missildine was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 37th Armored Regiment, 1st Brigade, 1st Armored Division, Friedberg, Germany.

Lance Cpl. Juana NavarroArellano, 24, of Ceres, Calif., died Saturday from wounds received while supporting combat operations in Al Anbar province, Iraq. She was assigned to 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd Marine Logistics Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force, Okinawa, Japan.

Cpl. Richard P. Waller, 22, of Fort Worth, Texas, died April 7 from wounds received while conducting combat operations in Al Anbar province, Iraq. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Spc. Daniel L. Sesker, 22, of Ogden, Iowa, died in Bayji, Iraq on April 6, when an improvised explosive device detonated

near his HMMWV during combat operations. Sesker was assigned to the Army National Guard's Troop C, 1st Squadron, 113th Cavalry in LeMars, Iowa.

Lance Cpl. Bryan N. Taylor, 20, of Milford, Ohio, died April 6 after being shot by an Iraqi Army soldier on a coalition base near Al Qaim, Iraq. He was assigned to the 2nd Combat Engineer Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

The incident is currently under investigation.

Spc. Dustin J. Harris, 21, of Bangor, Maine, died in Bayji, Iraq on April 6, when an improvised device detonated while he was conducting dismounted patrol operations. Harris was assigned to the 172nd Brigade Support Battalion, 172nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, Fort Wainwright, Alaska.

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Pfc. Chase A. Edwards, 19, of Lake Charles, La., died April 6 while conducting combat operations in Al Anbar province, Iraq. He was assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

The Department of Defense announced today the identity of a Marine and a sailor supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom, who have been listed as Duty Status - Whereabouts Unknown (DUST-WUN) after the seven-ton truck in which they were riding rolled over in a flash flood near Al Asad, Iraq on April 2. The incident was not a result of enemy action.

Lance Cpl. Eric A. Palmisano, 27, of Florence, Wis., is assigned to the 1st Transportation Support Battalion, 1st Marine Logistics Group, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Marcques J. Nettles, 22, of Beaverton, Ore., is assigned to Force Service Regiment 1 Fleet Marine Forces Pacific.

Spc. Ty J. Johnson, 28, of Elk Grove, Calif., died in Kirkuk, Iraq, on April 4, when an improvised device detonated near his HMMWV during

combat operations. Johnson was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky.

Two soldiers died who were supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Killed were:

Staff Sgt. Darrell P. Clay, 34, of Fayetteville, N.C.

Sgt. Israel Devora Garcia, 23, of Clint, Texas

They died in Baghdad, Iraq, on April 1, when an improvised explosive device detonated while they were conducting a dismounted patrol. Both soldiers were assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 6th Infantry, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division, Baumholder, Germany.

Two soldiers, who were supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom, died.

Killed were:

Capt. Timothy J. Moshier, 25, of Albany, N.Y.

Chief Warrant Officer Michael L. Hartwick, 37, of Orrick, Mo.

They died in Baghdad Iraq on April 1, when their Apache helicopter crashed while conducting a combat air patrol. Both

soldiers were assigned to the Army's 4th Battalion, 4th Aviation Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

Six Marines, who were supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom, died.

Cpl. Andres Aguilar Jr., 21, of Victoria, Texas

Cpl. David A. Bass, 20, of Nashville, Tenn.

Lance Cpl. Patrick J. Gallagher, 27, of Jacksonville, Fla.

Lance Cpl. Felipe D. Sandoval-Flores, 20, of Los Angeles, Calif.

Cpl. Brian R. St. Germain, 22, of Warwick, R.I.

Staff Sgt. Abraham G. Twitchell, 28, of Yelm, Wash.

All Marines died April 2, when the seven-ton truck they were riding in rolled over in a flash flood near Al Asad, Iraq.

Aguilar was assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii. Media with questions about Aguilar can call Marine Corps Base Hawaii Public Affairs Office at (808) 257-8871/8835.

Bass, Gallagher, Sandoval-Flores and St. Germain were all assigned to elements

of the 1st Marine Logistics Group, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif. Twitchell was assigned to the Combat Service Support Group-1, 1st Marine Logistics Group, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Twentynine Palms, Calif.

The Department of Defense announced today the death of four Marines, who were supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Lance Cpl. Jacob W. Beisel, 21, of Lackawaxen, Pa.

Lance Cpl. Kun Y. Kim, 20, of Atlanta, Ga.

Staff Sgt. Eric A. McIntosh, 29, of Trafford, Pa.

Cpl. Scott J. Procopio, 20, of Saugus, Mass.

Beisel died March 31 from wounds received while conducting combat operations in Al Anbar Province, Iraq. Kim, McIntosh and Procopio died April 2 while conducting combat operations in Al Anbar Province, Iraq. All Marines were assigned to 3rd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

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Enjoy Easter brunch buffet at TMAC Sunday

The Thunder Mountain Activity Centre will present their Easter brunch buffet, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Sunday. Diners are invited to let TMAC's staff tempt them with a variety of culinary delights, starting with assorted fresh fruits and salads.

The carving station will feature several gourmet entrees, including steamship round, smoked salmon and champagne chicken.

Diners can also enjoy omelettes, made-to-or-

der, and a wide selection of breakfast specialties such as Eggs Benedict, Belgian waffles and smoked salmon, cream cheese and bagels.

A variety of vegetables, potatoes, freshly baked bread, pasta and cheeses will also be offered.

Cost of the buffet is \$21 per person for adults and \$10.50 for children ages 5-11. These prices include gratuity. Children 4 and under may dine free.

TMAC is located on the corner of Irwin and Kelsay Streets, Building 70525.

For more information or reservations, call 533-3802 or 533-7322.



Basketball court at Barnes FH closed

The basketball court at Barnes Field House is closed for resurfacing now through April 11.

For more information, call Les Woods at 533-3246.

AVC plans block party, chili cook-off

The Army Volunteer Coordinator has planned a block party and chili cook-off from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., April 27 at the Post Exchange parking lot. The chili cook-off will start at 4:30 p.m.

The deadline to sign up for the chili cook-off is tomorrow. Space is limited, so interested persons should call 533-2330 to reserve a space.

Daily specials at Desert Lanes

Desert Lanes now offers the following daily specials: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday, Parent Child Day - parents can bowl for \$2 per game and their child bowls free; 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Tuesday, anyone can bowl for \$2 per game; 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Wednesday, Active Duty Day - military bowl for \$1.50 per game; 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Thursday, Seniors Day - seniors bowl for \$1.50 per game; 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Friday, anyone can bowl for \$2 per game; and 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Sunday, Family Day - a family of up to five people can bowl for \$25 two hours, and the price includes shoe rental and three kids' meals.

All league bowlers can bowl for \$2 per game every day at Desert Lanes.

For more information, call 533-2849.

Frame photos, artwork at Arts Center

Framing photos and artwork can be an expensive undertaking, but it doesn't have to be.

The MWR Arts Center offers framing and matting classes from 1 to 3 p.m., the first and last Saturday of each month. Cost is \$50 per date.

The fee may be waived for students who have already completed a framing class at another installation.

These classes show participants how to frame, mat and glass art pieces, and can provide considerable sav-

ings over having these tasks done professionally.

After completion of a framing class, individuals may use the frame shop during regular hours of operation: noon - 8 p.m., Tuesday - Thursday; and 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday.

The framing section at the Arts Center offers a large selection of mouldings and mats that can be ordered at any time. A circle and oval cutter are also available for special cutouts.

The Arts Center will present a free demonstration on art clay silver, from 6 to 8 p.m., April 21. Art clay silver is pure silver in clay form, which allows the artist to mold and shape a design much faster and easier than traditional silver-smithing.

Another free demo, to be held from 6 to 8 p.m., April 25, will present paint by number sets from renowned artist Thomas Kinkade. These sets come in several forms including pencil sets, paintable figurines, posters, acrylic and oils. Students can create the project of their choice.

The MWR Arts Center is located in Building 52008, Arizona Street.

For more information, call at 533-2015 or 533-2352.

Youth Tae Kwon Do class

The Child and Youth Services SKIESUnlimited's Tae Kwon Do class is held 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday at Murr Community Center, Building 51301. Students may attend on a monthly basis. Class fee is \$25 per month.

The class is open to youth ages 5 - 18, whose parents are active duty or retired military, Department of the Army civilians, Non-appropriated Fund employees or contractor employees. Participants must also be members of Child and Youth Services.

To register, call 533-0738 or visit the Central Enrollment Registration Office at Murr Community Center. There is an annual \$18 registration fee for CYS membership.

Parents can also participate in the class, for an additional \$25 monthly fee.

For more information, call SKIES Instructional

Program Specialist Carrie Bradke at 533-8347.

CYS 'Summer of Fun' Program

Child and Youth Services SKIESUnlimited Program has planned a fun-filled summer of activities for children and youth who choose to participate in the program's summer instructional programs.

Some of the activities that will be offered include: swimming lessons, sports camps, golf camps, Tae Kwon Do, karate, gymnastics, Spanish classes and piano lessons.

Watch future issues of The Scout for details. For more information, call Carrie Bradke at 533-8347.

ITR has info on Hawaiian tour

MWR's Information, Tickets and Reservations Office has information on the Joint Services Aloha Tour of Hawaii, from Sept. 7 to 11.

The tour is open to qualified MWR patrons, and will showcase historical and recreational activities within the Aloha State.

The itinerary includes a Polynesian Cultural Center luau, Pearl Harbor and Honolulu City sightseeing tour, and the Alil Kai Sunset Dinner Cruise.

The Joint Services Hawaiian Tour is available for \$979 per person, based on double occupancy. Travel dates are Sept. 7 to 11, with departure from Los Angeles. Round-trip airfare from Los Angeles, four night's accommodations in a Waikiki hotel, airport transfers, and three days of activities are included in the package.

Tickets for upcoming events at the Tucson Convention Center are also available at ITR, including: May 9-14, Les Miserables; May 11, Brad Paisley; May 14, Mariachi Cobre; and May 26, Ron White. TCC tickets are available to purchase 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. only.

For baseball fans, ITR has discount tickets available for the Tucson Sidewinders home games now through August.

For more information, call 533-2404 or visit the ITR Office, Building 70914, Irwin Street. The facility is open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday - Friday and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Saturday.



Fort Huachuca Directorate of Morale, Welfare & Recreation

The Directorate of Morale, Welfare & Recreation is responsible for content appearing on the MWR page in The Fort Huachuca Scout. Questions about this section should be directed to MWR Marketing Director, Paula Gorman at 536-4036 or send an e-mail to paula.gorman@huc.army.mil or visit me on the Web at mwrhuachuca.com

The Scout Time Out

Yard sale dos and don'ts

By Joan Vasey

Scout Staff

April is an ideal month for yard sales. The weather is cool, making outdoor temperatures ideal for both buyers and sellers, who will generally hang around a bit longer when the weather doesn't drive them back indoors. Fort Huachuca will hold a post-wide yard sale from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on April 22. Those who can access the Fort should expect an enjoyable shopping experience as they scour the installation for bargains.

I've gone to yard sales for years. I often tell visitors that my home is furnished in "Early American Thrift Shop and Antique Garage Sale." That's where I've gotten some of my favorite pieces of furniture and pottery. Over time, I've learned one thing: People hold yard sales all the time, but they don't always do them right.

The best way to get rid of unwanted items for a decent price is to plan and prepare, at least a few days in advance. Those who opt to participate in the post-wide yard sale here have probably already amassed a quantity of unwanted items. That's only the first step. Now, it's time to get ready for sale day.

While many people place items on blankets on the ground, having smaller items easily visible at a comfortable height makes people tend to pick them up. Once this happens, if the item is reasonably priced, it usually goes home with the shopper. Borrow folding tables, use large boxes as tables or use the tailgate of a pickup truck as display areas for smaller sale items. The ground is a fine display location for larger items.

Items that are attractively displayed are more likely to sell, and to sell for more money. If your tables are scarred or stained, cover them with clean tablecloths or sheets. Paper tablecloths also work well. It helps to have a few nice lawn chairs nearby, and not just for the sellers' use. Disinterested family members can sit while the others

shop and are unlikely to rush the shopper. Having cool, available drinking water and paper cups for buyers also encourages a longer visit.

If possible, wash or clean all items offered for sale. Price the items ahead of time and assure the price is large enough to be clearly visible. Some people price items on the bottom to encourage shoppers to pick items up, but reasonably priced items with tags displayed on top are convenient for marathon yard-sale shoppers who will stop, look, buy (or not), and jump back into their car and head off to the next sale. Price the items before the sale date. This practice frees sellers up for other tasks on sale morning.

Price items fairly, but be prepared to negotiate a lower price. Veteran yard sale shoppers know how to haggle and usually expect to. Many people are unwilling to pay the marked price.

Group like items together, the same way they're displayed in stores. Keep the jewelry out of the tools area, and tools away from pots, pans, knick-knacks or electronics.

Stylish, unwrinkled clothing in gently-used condition should be neatly hung or folded. Clothing generally won't sell for much, so price accordingly. Out-of-date and wrinkled clothes generally don't sell. Shoes, belts and purses that look used generally won't sell either.

Make neat signs, large enough to be seen clearly from a distance. If possible, put them out a few days ahead of

time, with yard sale dates and hours clearly posted. This free advertisement informs passers by of a pending yard sale. People with "hot" items for sale should also list a few of the items on their signs. For military families, examples of "hot" items could be such things as indoor or outdoor furniture, children's clothing, toys and furniture, lawnmowers, indoor theater components, motorcycles or physical fitness equipment.

Place ads in the local papers, and

advertise on public bulletin boards. Where permitted, place boxes or signs advertising the sale in heavily trafficked areas. Sale publicity is just as important as the sale because it brings the buyers.

Set up as much as possible the evening before the sale. Larger items can be placed on tables or on the ground, and covered for the night.

table works well and reduces the need to go indoors.

Have plenty of bags and newspapers on hand. The newspapers protect breakables, and bags are convenient carryalls for customers.

Even if things get slow as the day progresses, end the sale at the posted time. Many shoppers plan their yard sale driving



Have plenty of change on hand. Fifty dollars in small bills and coins is generally enough. Most people hit the ATM machine before heading out for sales, so expect the earliest customers to pay in \$20 bills.

Get completely set up as early as possible on tag sale morning. And, expect early birds. Many yard sale shoppers hit the streets at first light to get the best bargains and maximize use of time. They tend to ignore posted hours.

The best sales location is one that's closest to parking and convenient to buyers. Many prospective customers browse sale offerings while cruising by, stopping only at locations offering items of interest.

Unless showing furniture or items too large to haul outdoors, it is not a wise practice to let people into homes. Lock doors and know the location of the nearest rest rooms. I know of one case where an elderly woman would ask to use people's bathrooms. During the process, she'd case out homes which her grandson would later rob. While this is a most unusual case, it does not hurt to be careful.

Have plenty of snacks and drinks on hand for helpers. A cooler placed under the

route from the yard sale ads in the local papers, hitting some sales early and others later. And, expect bargain hunters late in the day.

One last tip, please take down the signs after the yard sale is over.

Those who have leftover items, no desire or time to hold future yard sales, and who don't want to haul items to locations mentioned in the commentary on page 2 of this week's "Scout," yard sales have yet another option besides tossing leftover items in the trash. Put a "Free" sign on usable items and place them curbside outside of quarters. It's remarkable what people will take for free.

Years ago, I found a beautiful ponytail plant sitting next to a trash can. The owner had obviously wanted the pot, lifted the plant out and left it for trash pickup, encased in dried-out dirt molded in the shape of the original pot. I knocked on the door, but no one was home, so I took the plant home, found a pot of the right size, set the plant in it and watered it. Today the plant, now three times its original size and several transplants later, graces an office in the Public Affairs building.

Buena High School 4-H member represents Fort Huachuca nationally

By Esau Lolis

Scout Staff

A Fort Huachuca Accommodation School student represented the Army community as a delegate at the National 4-H Club Conference March 25 through 30.

Sixteen-year-old Rosalie Ortiz spent five days in Chevy Chase, Md., along with more than 300 students from all 50 states and the U.S. territory, Puerto Rico.

The Buena High School sophomore was one of five students in Arizona selected to attend the annual conference.

"The 4-H conference is a national event that allows young people to be able to have an influence and set program standards for what they want to do in 4-H on a nationwide basis," said Darcy Tessman, 4-H youth development agent.

"During that week, delegates go to Capitol Hill and get to meet their legislators and Senators," she added.

"Rosalie is setting a standard in Arizona for being the first military 4-H club based young person to go to National 4-H Conference!" Tessman exclaimed.

Ortiz recounted her experience at the conference.

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"This year's conference theme was 'Connect 4-H, Let's Bring it Together,'" she said. "We are trying to create better connections between all the 4-H clubs across the country."

"Our purpose and goal was to come up with new recommendations to be held on the national level for 4-H as well as to bring ideas back to the state and county level," Ortiz explained.

Ortiz noted that another name for the National 4-H conference is the Secretary's Conference. "We came up with ideas and presented them to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, Mike Johanns," she said.

Ortiz said she and other delegates presented the idea of creating a forum through an internet connection where all 4-H members in an extension would be able to share projects that clubs are working on and discuss upcoming events.

The Fort Huachuca delegate said she was able to describe her experiences as a youth military 4-H participant.

"I explained how it is to be a military dependent and how things work," she said. "I was able to tell about the different types of kids that we have here," she said.

"A lot of the other kids lived in small towns and they were involved a lot with agriculture. I explained to them that a lot of kids where I'm from are more into dancing and lot of other different [trendy] things and how we can change 4-H from being not just an agricultural approach."

Ortiz said that throughout the conference, she attended several seminars and workshops such as "Not Being Leaders of Tomorrow, but Leaders of Today," "Fear Factor Assessing Fears and Learning to Conquer Those Fears," and "Stereotyping, and How to Feel Welcome in any Type of Environment."

Ortiz said she and other delegates discussed leadership skills, generosity, belonging, independence and mastery. "We talked about all of these elements in a round-table discussion," she said.

Ortiz described her conference experience as "incredible."

She will give a presentation of what she shared and learned during the national conference in January at the Western Region Leaders Forum held in Phoenix.

(Editors note: April is the month of the military child, to recognize their contributions to the community.)

Chalk Talk

Gen. Myer School

Yesterday was the last day for the annual book fair. Throughout the event, Clifford the Big Red Dog made several visits to the delight of students and staff here.

Myer School thanks Renee Bizzak from Cochise County and Don Smejkal from the Elks Lodge for presenting a Tobacco Prevention Class to the fourth

graders. Students learned about the dangers of tobacco and second hand smoke. They were able to see nicotine's harmful effect when they got to touch and feel pig's lungs that were exposed to tobacco. The children also learned how their coordination and judgment would be impaired from being under the influence of drugs.

These students received the Character

Count award for Citizenship. Congratulations to: Cassandra Castillo, Cheyenne Grimm, Daniel Sanchez, Danielle Villali, Heather Huff, Kellen Jones, Rosemarie Godoy, Ronald Parker III, Sophie Monge, T'alai Joseph, and Will Davis.

The Student of the Month Academic Awards for March were given to: Alex Pierre, Cameron Miller, Cortlin Austin, Jacob Bradrick, Jadii Pope, Kendra

Chandler, Lauren Beck, Malik Stevenson, Matraca Lawrence, Megan O'Bryan, and Samuel Stansberry.

Myer School Third Quarter Honor Roll Students:

Ahmauri Williams-Alford, Alyssa Scruggs, Amber Dedeaux, Andrew Camps, Andrew Cardenas, Ashley Laszok, Benjamin Morris, Briana Mc-

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Sierra Vista 50th Anniversary



Countdown:
Sierra Vista turns 50 in
6 weeks

EDITORIAL COMMENT:

The City of Sierra Vista will celebrate its 50th anniversary, "More than a city—a way of life," May 26-28, 2006. In support of the city's celebration, each month until the celebration weekend, The Fort Huachuca Scout will run one reprinted article from the 1955 and 1956 issues of the "Fort Huachuca Scout," showing what fort life was like 50 years ago. Each week, we'll print one or more highlights of what happened on Fort Huachuca a half century ago.

Sierra Vista was founded in 1956 and annexed Fort Huachuca in 1971. Now, as in the past, the two entities worked together and are

involved in many partnerships.

The Fort Huachuca Scout has been in publication for 54 years since 1951. Mergue copies of the "Scout" are available for viewing at the Fort Huachuca Public Affairs Office, Building 21115, 3015 Carnahan Street, across the street from the gazebo at the west end of Brown Parade Field. Call 533-2622 for additional information.

Enjoy reliving Fort Huachuca's past 50 years, and reminisce as we travel back in time. - Joan Vasey

Reprinted from "The Huachuca Scout", April 12, 1956

Found: One Soldier Who Can't 'Sack Out' on Army Mattresses

One enlisted man who will never "bug out to the barracks" is Pfc. K.B. Johnson, of C Company, 93rd Signal Battalion.

As a matter of fact, he never goes near the barracks.

An unusual allergy to kapok - the material Army mattresses are stuffed with - gives him bronchial asthma and trouble with his breathing. The allergy

is so bad he can't even be in the same room with an Army mattress.

Pre-Army Condition

His condition isn't anything new because he had the same trouble before he entered the Army. Johnson lives off-Post, but not because of his allergy. He is married and lives in Tombstone.

A former photographer for KSTP movies and a freelance photographer in his home state of Wisconsin, he works during off-duty hours as photographer for the Tombstone Epitaph.

He is publicity chairman for the Tombstone Vigilantes, a civic group dedicated to the job of preserving a flavor of the "Old West."

Race Driver

In addition to photography, Johnson formerly worked as a race car driver, including stock car, sprint cars and hot rods.

Arizona Tourist — Celebrate Earth Day at the Sierra Vista Farmers Market

Scout Reports

Photos by Valerie McCaffery

Come celebrate Earth Day in Sierra Vista and the special spot on this wonderful planet where we live.

This celebration is part of the West End Block Party and will take place on April 22 at the Sierra Vista Farmers Market from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Sierra Vista Earth Day celebration will also kick off the farmers market's open season.

Earth Day began as an idea of the late Senator Gaylord Nelson when he pitched the concept to the then Attorney General Robert Kennedy. RFK liked the idea so much he took it to his brother, President John Fitzgerald Kennedy. JFK subsequently began a five-day, eleven-state conservation promotion

will carry that message to the people of Southeast Arizona through thematic discussion, demonstrations and shopping opportunities.

Speakers will address the many

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opportunities for hiking, biking, gardening, and birding in Southeastern Arizona. Eco-friendly demonstrations will include how to harvest rainwater, composting, and

Vista's family band, the Jones Gang and Friends. Eleven year-old Lauren Jones will perform a feat of musical athleticism by hula-hooping while playing the Orange Blossom Special. Also featured will be folk-rock musicians Derek and Amy taking center stage fol-

lowed by an eco-fashion show with models showing off organic cotton fashions for women and children by local designer Birdland Ranch EcoFashions.

Local farmers and ranchers will display their produce at the farmers market which many claim is some of the best of Cochise County.

Handmade baked goods, mesquite and regular flavored tortillas, tamales and salsa will be available for purchase.

Stargazers from the Huachuca Astronomy Club will harness the power of the sun by roasting a chicken followed by tasty baked cookies in their solar ovens.

Locally roasted, fair-trade coffee, preserves and pickles, including jalapeno relish and pomegranate jelly, and handcrafted soap, emu and hemp oil body care products are items that should please the eclectic shopper.

Recycling opportunities will be available at Earth Day as well. Glass, number one and two plastics, tin cans, aluminum cans, cardboard (please flatten) as well as newspapers and magazines are welcome.

Earth Day will take place



Photos by Valerie McCaffery

Lots of fresh spring produce will be available at the farmers market including gourmet lettuce, peas, greens and salad fixings.

at the Sierra Vista Farmers Market located at the NW corner of Wilcox and Carmichael.

After this opening, the farmers market will revert to Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. as many producers also sell their foods at the Saturday morning Bisbee Farmers Market.

It is a good idea to bring a cooler to keep produce fresh and keep meats from spoiling.

Local agricultural producers and earth-friendly and nature-based organizations are welcome to participate and can reserve a spot at Earth Day at the Market by contacting the market manager at vallimac@cox.net or 378-2973.

Photo illustration by Rob Martinez



Lots of great bluegrass music will be played at Earth Day by Sierra Vista's family band, the Jones Gang and fiddler friends. From left: Paul Jones on flute, Lauren Jones on fiddle and Sam Jones on guitar serenade the crowd at the Bisbee Farmers Market.

tour in September 1963. For many reasons the tour did not succeed in putting the issue onto the national political agenda. It was however the germ of the idea that ultimately flowered into Earth Day.

Fast forward more than 40 years later and environmental stewardship has become deeply interwoven into the national consciousness. Management of the environment is not merely a concern of the government but a value that has come to pervade all segments of society.

Local organizers of Earth Day

creating wildlife habitats.

Wildlife experts will discuss the importance of the San Pedro River and the special creatures that thrive along the riparian area such as local butterflies, trees, native plants and much more. The Gray Hawk Nature Center will sponsor interactive displays with large birds of prey and talk about some local reptiles and creepy crawlies that have gotten bad press. The 4-H Club goat milking demonstration and baby goat petting pen is always a great child pleaser.

Entertainment will include some down-home fiddle music by Sierra



The Desert Spirits 4-H Club from Palominas will demonstrate goat milking on Earth Day. Here a club member shows off his milking technique. The 4-H Club will also bring baby goats for petting.

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Sierra Vista plans block party

The Sierra Vista West-End Block Party takes place on April 22, from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Fry Blvd. from Garden Ave. to North Ave. This is one of the many events leading up to the official celebration of Sierra Vista's 50th Anniversary.

There will be vendors, food, music, crafts, children's activities, a chili cook-off, raffle, and other family oriented activities. Vendor space is still available. This is an opportunity to help celebrate Sierra Vista's 50th Anniversary and to support a historic part of Sierra Vista - the vicinity near the main gate to Fort Huachuca. Information on this event can be obtained by calling Susan McCathern, at 515-0161, or email susanmccathern@cox.net.

Third Annual Cancer Awareness luncheon set

The Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center hosts an annual luncheon to help increase awareness of cancer prevention, treatment and other supportive resources.

The luncheon will be held on April 21 at 11:30 a.m. in the Saguaro Room at of the Windemere Hotel and Conference Center, 2047 South Hwy. 92, Sierra Vista. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. Cost of the lunch is \$16.75.

The speakers are Dr. Angelo Petropolis, MD (Dermatologist) and Carol Ullrich, RN, LPC (Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner).

RSVP by April 17 to ensure a seat. For information, call Jeanne Warren at 533-3536.

Commissary sponsors supermarket sweep for Single Soldiers

Better Opportunity for Single Soldiers and the Fort Huachuca Commissary are sponsoring a supermarket sweep May 8 at 7:30 a.m. at the post commissary. Single Soldiers will be treated to a free breakfast provided by commissary vendors, a tour of the facility and drawing for a chance to win \$500 in groceries in a vendor sponsored

Supermarket sweep. For more information, call the Commissary at 533-5540.

SE Arizona Butterfly Association field trip

The Southeast Arizona Butterfly Association will sponsor a trip to Box Canyon in the Santa Rita Mountains Saturday at 9 a.m. Participants will meet at the intersection of SR 83 and the Greaterville Road and should dress appropriately and bring water, binoculars, sunscreen and lunch. A \$5 donation is requested. For more information, call 803-9700 or visit www.naba.org/chapters/nabasa.home.html on the Web.

Family child care training

The Fort Huachuca Family Child Care program is looking for individuals who want to earn an income, raise their children at home and make a difference in another child's life. The next training begins on Monday and the deadline to sign up is Friday. For more information on how to become an FCC Provider, call 533-2498.

Fort Huachuca housing residents may only provide child care in their quarters after gaining approval from the Garrison Commander and the Commander's agent, the Fort Huachuca Family Child Care office.

Free NASCAR tickets available

Free NASCAR Nextel Cup Series tickets available for the Subway Fresh 500 at Phoenix International Raceway April 22. Available only to service members, their families and DoD civilians. Limit four per family. First come, first served. Pick up at the public affairs office.

Fort Huachuca Community Spouses' Club Luncheon April 19th

Join the Fort Huachuca Community Spouses' Club on Wednesday for the April "White Elephant" Luncheon at the Thunder Mountain Activity Center, on Irwin Road, Fort Huachuca. Social hour begins at 10:30 and lunch is served at 11:30, with a cost of \$10.00.

This month's program is a White Elephant Raffle/Auction. Get rid of that "special something" by donating it, and bid on the items of your choice.

Additionally, the We Care Project for April is the Children's Crisis Center of Huachuca City. Bring non-perishable food item donations to the luncheon.

For reservations, contact Victoria Glynn at 458-2475 or send e-mail to victoriaglynn@cox.net. The deadline for reservations is noon tomorrow. On-site childcare is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Make childcare reservations at the same time.

The FHCSC is a non-profit, private organization that provides entertaining activities for its members, while providing community outreach to Fort Huachuca and the Sierra Vista area. The FHCSC regularly contributes to the community through the monthly We Care project, Soldier Support projects and scholarships presented to aspiring college students in our local community.

Holocaust remembrance presents "Legacies of Justice"

The Military Equal Opportunity Office will host two holocaust observances May 4, at the Murr Community Center and Main Post Chapel. The Murr event highlighting 10 holocaust survivor experiences starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 11:30 a.m. The memorial service and recognition ceremony at the Chapel will begin at 1:15 p.m. and ends at 2:15 p.m. For more information, contact the MEO office at 533-5305 or 533-3696.

All you can eat pancake breakfast sponsoring Special Olympics

There will be an all you can eat breakfast from 6 - 11 a.m. April 22 at the Landmark Café, 400 W. Fry Blvd., Sierra Vista. The Sierra Vista Police Department in conjunction with the Landmark Café is hosting is hosting the breakfast to raise money for the Special Olympics. For more information, contact Capt. Cline of the Sierra Vista Police Department at 452-7500.

At The Movies

Showing at the Cochise Theater for the next week are:

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Today -7 p.m.

Freedomland

PG-13

Friday

Running Scared

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Saturday -7 p.m.

16 Blocks

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Sunday -2 p.m.

Madea's Family Reunion

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Monday - Wednesday

Closed

Reduced prices on Thursday evening and Sunday matinees.

Watch CAC

For the latest news on the Fort Huachuca community as well as all of your military branches worldwide, the Commander's Access Channel (Channel 97) is your first and most reliable source.

The Scout will notify the community of the return of the Fort Report and until then, keep tuned to the CAC for other pertinent post information.



Pets Of The Week



Droopy is the black and white basset hound/ beagle mix she is 6 months old.



Sandy is the tan chow mix. she is 2 years old. Photos by Pfc. Chris Treftz, Veterinary Clinic

These animals and more are available for adoption from the Fort Huachuca Veterinary Treatment Facility. For more information, call 533-2767 or visit forhuachucafinder.com. In accordance with Army regulation, stray animals are kept for three working days to find an owner. After three days, they are either placed up for adoption or humanely euthanized. Strays are available for adoption for 30 days before they are euthanized.

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Closkey, Brittany Saffo, Cameron Gillespie, Carlos Acosta, Cassandra Castillo, Cassie Morgan, Chelsea Gratz, Christian Keen, Christy Mata, Courtney Scogin, Daisy Koceja, Daja Thomas, Dakota Doss, Danielle Aceves, Danielle Campos, Danielle Villali, Don True, Elysia Ybarra, Emily Fabor, Erikka King, Erin Chapman, Fernandes Boyd, JaBry Green, Jacob Kuha, Jacob Bradrick, Jacob Branderhorst, Jadzia Caparulo, Joshua Krause, Justin Bayne, Justin Clark, Kaitlyn O’Rahilly, Kendra Chandler, Kendrick Little, Kiersten Fountain, Kiley Haftorson, Killian Klepinger, Koral Pick, Madeline Colley, Madison King, Malik Stevenson, Mariah Denton, Megan O’Bryan, Megan Richard, Patrick Sandstrom, Patrick Tarbet, Payton Wheeler, Rebecca Sirius, Samuel Stansberry, Sarah Baier, Sarai Reyna, Shelby McWilliams, Stephanie Wilson, Stina Beattie, Taylor Mulkins, Valerie Ross, Vinessa Rice, William Benning, William Youngberg, and Zacchaeus Hill,

Myer School Third Quarter Principal’s Honor Roll Students:

Adrienne McNamara, Alijah Diaz, Cameron Miller, Cody Halvorson, Cort-

lin Austin, Dea Good, Hazel Grubbs, Jada Womble, Jasmine Greene, Jason Li, Jessica Sanchez, Juliana Coriz, Leilani Harbison, Marisa Torres, Nicholas Baxter, Nicholas Rangus, Paul Michael Shulsky, Savannah Payton, Ty Mares, and Zachary Lambert

Myer School has completed the 29th week of the Magellan Running Club, with five running days. Each student receives one point for completing each 440-yard lap run. This week, all top runners completed 52 points each. For fifth-grade news, the top girls were Hazel Grubbs, Deanali Readinger, Erikka King, and Tiara Huddleston. John Kiner and Davy’aun Thomas scored as the top fifth-grade boys. The overall top fifth-grade class that scored with 447 points was Mrs. Celina Mickle’s class. For fourth-grade news, the top fourth-grade girl was Sarah Baier. The top fourth-grade boys were Miles Ritchey, Andrew Camps, and Carlos Acosta. John Christensen’s class scored as the top fourth-grade classroom with a total of 221 points. All the students in the running club totaled 450 miles for this week.

Col. Johnston Elementary

Upcoming Events:
Third Grade Aims Testing and 2nd Grade Terra Nova testing is underway through April 21.
April 21 ... No Walking Club
The second-grade classes of Claire Clemente, Debbie Sherwood, and Pat Glow have been studying the desert and Arizona. A culminating activity for their unit was a trip to the Desert Museum in Tucson. The children were given a souvenir book to collect the footprints of the animals as they walked around the museum. Everyone had a great time. The children also made desert dioramas and presented them in their classrooms. What a great job they did in creating the desert habitat in a box! They were able to share their projects with each other and Karen Sherman, principal.
Lorraine Draeger’s third grade class recently completed reports on their chosen state. They wrote facts about the history, economy, culture and future of their state. They made a map depicting the main cities, rivers, and mountains. They also studied the state flag, bird, tree and motto. This was a great culmination to the unit on United States geography.

Many students are able to locate and identify all fifty states when given a blank U.S. map. Mrs. Draeger thinks her third graders are pretty nifty!
Donna Beck’s class has been getting their spring gardening done. They have planted tomatoes, Japanese eggplant, chilies, flowers and some herbs. They also experienced tasting fried bugs from Thailand. Those who were brave tried meal worms and crickets. Their own “Fear Factor.”
In academics they are learning the basics of multiplication.

Vollyball standings		
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E-305 MI	8	1
A-305 MI	8	1
JITC	6	2
B-305 MI	6	3
MEDDAC	5	3
HHC 111 MI	5	3
C-304 MI	3	5
HHC USAIC	3	6
NCOA	2	7
B-304 MI	1	7
18th MP	0	9

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